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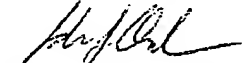
Re: Enclosed Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and Excess Claim Fee
Payment Letter
U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/929,143
Attorney Docket No.: YOR920010067US1
Our Reference: YOR.271

Dear Examiner Lohn:

Enclosed for filing is a Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 after the filing of an RCE on March 3, 2005, and an Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter, in the above-referenced application.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,


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Enclosure

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Richard HARPER, et al.

Serial No.: 09/929,143

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROACTIVELY REDUCING THE OUTAGE TIME
OF A COMPUTER SYSTEMHonorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

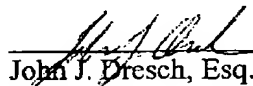
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Total Claims	40 -	39	= 1	x \$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Indep. Claims	13 -	12	= 1	x \$200.00	\$ 200.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**\$ 250.00**

Please charge Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510 the amount of \$250.00 to cover the excess claim fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully Submitted,

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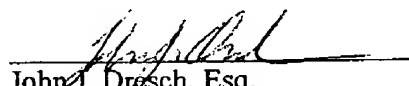
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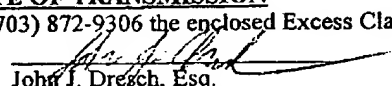
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2004, and further to the RCE filed on March 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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